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SUBJ: IRANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER'S MESSAGE TO SECRETARY VANCE

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM FOREIGN MINISTER KHALATBARY FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SECRETARY VANCE: BEGIN TEXT.

EXCELLENCY:

I HAVE RECEIVED YOUR EXCELLENCY'S LETTER OF JANUARY 1, 1978 WHICH WAS FORWARDED TO ME BY HIS EXCELLENCY MR, WILLIAM SULLIVAN WITH PLEASURE, AND I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPOR-TUNITY TO CONVEY MY DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE VERY KIND SENTIMENTS WHICH YOU HAVE EXPRESSED TOWARDS MY AUGUST SOVEREIGN AND MYSELF. (PARA) IT WAS INDEED A GREAT PLEASURE FOR ME TO HAVE WELCOMED YOUR EXCELLENCY TO TEHRAN DURING PRESIDENT CARTER'S VISIT. AND TO HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH YOU ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST AND CONCERN TO US BOTH. (PARA) IT IS A SOURCE OF PROFOUND SATISFACTION FOR ME TO OBSERVE THE SPIRIT OF UNDERSTANDING AND HARMONY WHICH PREVAILS IN OUR RELATIONS. I SHARE YOUR EXCELLENCY'S BELIEF THAT PRESIDENT CARTER'S VISIT TO IRAN HAS EMPHASIZED THE EXCELLENT RELATIONS EXISTING BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND HAS NO DOUBT PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE YET FURTHER STRENGTHEN-ING OF THESE RELATIONS. (PARA) MAY I AVAIL MYSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW THE INVITATION WHICH I EXTENDED TO YOUR EXCELLENCY AND SAY HOW VERY MUCH MRS. KHALATBARY AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MYSELF LOOK FORWARD TO THE PLEASURE OF WELCOMING MRS. VANCE, YOUR EXCELLENCY, AND YOUR CHARMING DAUGHTER TO TEHRAN. I WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD SUGGEST SEVERAL DATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR SCHEDULE OF ENGAGEMENTS SO THAT A SUITABLE DATE FOR YOUR VISIT TO TEHRAN MAY BE DETERMINED TO OUR MUTUAL CONVENIENCE. WITH WARM PERSONAL REGARDS, ABBAS ALI KHALATBARY. END OF TEXT.

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